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FIRE ALMOST TRAPS A FAMILY

Denver Road Enters Metropolis of the State

COLLEGE CLOSES GREAT TERM

On the Street

UNCLE JACK WATTS, an old pioneer in the farming industry in Wise county, and living now on the place he settled some forty-two years ago, out northwest of Decatur, was in town Saturday, and when a Messenger reporter mentioned the good roads bond issue Uncle Jack said: "Yes, sir, I am for good roads, and to get them we must pay for them. I believe I am in a position to know something about bad roads, having lived in this county for almost half a century; and let me tell you I have traveled over some rough and rocky ones in that time. The progress and prosperity of this county hinges upon our road system, and if we are not alive to the importance of good roads we can not expect to make much progress. Why, look at the most prosperous and best developed sections of our state and you will find the people keenly alive to the necessity of having roads over which they can travel in all seasons of the year. Yes, you may state that I am for the bond issue, and I believe that the farmers who want a market for their products will rally to the support of the proposition."

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TOM J. McMURRAY, dean of the Decatur bar, attended the celebration held Monday night in Dallas, when the citizens of the Texas metropolis welcomed the advent of the Fort Worth & Denver train into that city. "I remember when the first Denver train steamed into Decatur. At that time our town was a little village, but the merchants had a vast territory to the west from which they drew customers, and it was no uncommon sight to see the streets and square crowded with men and women who had come from Jack, Young, Baylor and other counties to Decatur to do their shopping. I believe that Steve Lillard is the only man in business here now who [illegible] a merchant in Decatur's infant [illegible]. Sam Levy operated a whole[illegible]ouse at that time, and do you [illegible] that some of the state's most [illegible]sful business men got their start right here in Decatur? The Sangers started here; Tenison, one of Dallas' most successful business men commenced in Decatur; Padgett, another leader in Dallas commercial affairs, made his start here, and there are many others."

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WHILE a Messenger reporter was making the round on Wednesday morning seeking news for the great and good public educator he fell in with Colonel Bill Stroud and Henry Askey. They were discussing the good old days in oildom, when things were rampant in the Electra field and fortunes were being made between suns in the Burkburnett field. Quothed Colonel Stroud, "Ah, if the fore-sight of mortal man were anything like his hind-sight, what different stories would be told to the waiting world. Why, I remember how fortune beckoned me in the Burkburnett field, and I gave her the stony stare time and again. But I suppose the biggest fool stunt I pulled during the excitement was when Jack Ogle and I bought at a bargain a lease and drilling outfit, all set up over a hole down about six hundred feet. Jack and I discussed the feasibility, or good sense, in sinking the well deeper in what is now known as the Texhoma field. We finally decided that we had better take a profit on the outfit, and we sold on the spot, making about five hundred dollars in the deal. Our purchasers were smarter than we were; they steamed up and drilled deeper, and at sixteen hundred feet they struck a whopping big well, and today the lease we got with that drilling outfit is producing a fortune daily. As I remarked, if we could swap some of our hind-sight for a little fore-sight, what a different complexion would gone over our affairs in this mundane sphere." Mr. Askey, who has had experience of the same kind, readily agreed with Mr. Stroud.

More Road Machinery Purchased for County

Succumbing to the splendid and economical work being done by Road Commissioner Henry Walker's motor driven road working outfit and the successful experience of the other county commissioners, Commissioner Tul F. Petty has this week invested in a ten-ton caterpillar tractor and giant grader which he will use on the roads of his district.

There has been some opposition to the use of these outfits on the roads of Wise county, and probably is yet; but whenever the argument favoring them is considerately understood and the work they accomplished has been viewed, conviction to their all-around cheapness and practicability follows

MARVIN DICKSON SUFFERED BURNS

Victim Was Attempting to Rescue Daughter Believed in Fire

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the farm home of Marvin Dickson, three miles west of Decatur, in the Bethel community, about one o'clock Thursday morning. The house was almost enveloped in flames when the family was awakened, and they narrowly escaped being burned in the building.

After Mr. Dickson had assisted his wife and small child in escaping from the house, he rushed back into one of the rooms, which was a mass of flames, seeking his daughter, Jimmie, whom he thought had been caught in the house, and it is believed that Mr. Dickson was fatally burned. As he emerged from the house his night clothing was in flames and fell from his body. He was burned severely about the head and shoulders, and attending physicians say he is in a precarious condition. No other member of the family was injured. Miss Jimmie, who was thought to have been in the burning building, was not at home, and was spending the night with friends in Decatur.

No insurance was carried, and the loss of house and household goods was total.

Later: Mr. Dickson died at three-thirty o'clock Thursday afternoon. He died at the home of his brother, John Dickson, on the Jim Booth farm in the Bethel community.

Funeral arrangements had not been made when Messenger went to press.

Holland's Comedians to Play Here Next Week

What is conceded to be the highest class dramatic show now playing the south is Harve Holland's Comedians, who are to play all next week under their big tent, commencing Monday night, June 8th. They will present late royalty releases in plays and vaudeville. Their opening bill will be "The Girl on Mystic Island," a four act sensational comedy-drama, with special vaudeville between each act.

For special added attractions they are featuring Marcus Williams, ballad singer and saxaphone player of radio fame; also the team, La They and Saxon, lately of the Lassies White minstrels.

It is customary for Holland's Comedians to admit one lady free opening night, accompanied by one paid adult ticket.

This company carries its own band and orchestra, giving a street concert at four o'clock Monday afternoon.

Their big water-proof tent will be located on the lot in front of the City Hotel, on South Trinity street.

See their ad elsewhere in this issue of the Messenger. Come out Monday night and you won't miss another night all next week.

A Decatur delegate to the Dallas-Fort Worth & Denver celebration, after being driven over the city, was heard to remark: "Gentlemen, I have come to the conclusion that there is some merit to the claim of the Dallas man who remarked to a Fort Worth citizen, visiting in this city, that 'you can travel father in an elevator in Dallas than you can in a street car in Pantherville.' "

D.B.C. PUBLISHED BIG ISSUE PAPER

The class of Journalism has successfully edited the last issue of the Chieftain. Mr. Curry appointed his staff and each one was kept busy until the material was off the press.

The course has been one of value because it is practical, and this work was just what the class needed to study the more fundamental parts of the newspaper game.

The class has made two trips, one to the Wise County Messenger in Decatur, and the other to the Star-Telegram of Fort Worth. Minute details were explained at both offices. Those who have had several courses in this institution are unanimous in voicing their opinions that the course was one of the most practical and beneficial ever offered in Decatur College.

The last issue is a tribute to what the class has accomplished within the last three months under Professor P. M. Curry.

The last Chieftain, which contained sixteen pages, was published in the Messenger plant first of the week.

D. B. C. ASSOCIATION OF ALUMNI IS FORMED

Sebe Maples of Valley Mills, was elected president of the Decatur Baptist College Alumni Association at an organization meeting held in Noel Hall Friday evening, May 30th.

Following the organization of the association, it was decided to have a home-coming for ex-students of the college Monday and Tuesday, September 14th and 15th. Five hundred to one thousand ex-students, faculty members, students, trustees and other friends of the institution are expected.

Other officers of the association who were elected Friday night are: R. J. Anderson, Cleburne, vice-president; E. L. Moody, Bridgeport, vice-president; J. C. Brown, Decatur, secretary.

The home-coming is to be held in the fall in order that teachers who have schools for the coming year may be able to attend and bring new students with them. The college opens September 16th, the day following the celebration, for its 1925-1926 session.

Officers of the new organization are expecting students who attended Decatur College from 1892 to 1925 to be present at the celebration. The place of Decatur Baptist College as the oldest junior college west of the Mississippi river, gives it a large number of graduates, many of whom have passed on or moved to other parts of the world. All efforts will be made by the officers to bring alumni from all sections of the country to engage in the festivities.

The program for the occasion has not yet been arranged, but plans are under way to perfect a two-day program that will be representative of the gathering.

Wise county is to vote on $1,000,000 worth of road bonds on June 27th, and the preliminaries to a warm contest are getting under way. Wise county roads are of concern to Denton county, for there is threat of with-drawal of the designation of the Thirty-Ninth Highway, running thru Denton county and then westward, unless Wise does something with its section. Denton county is ready to surface the few miles of the road not built from the Santa Fe under-pass west as soon as a route can be decided upon.—Denton Record-Chronicle.

CELEBRATION BY DALLAS CITIZENS

Number from This City Attend Welcome to New Terminal

A number of Decatur citizens went down Monday to attend the big celebration Dallas staged, welcoming the arrival of the first Fort Worth & Denver train into that city. In the party were C. P. Dodson, president of the Decatur chamber of commerce, J. J. Rieger, members of the board of directors, Cliff D. Cates, secretary, T. J. McMurray, local attorney for the Denver, Dick Collins and W. F. Terrell.

Representatives from a number of towns on the road were present, and it was estimated that more than two thousand Dallas citizens and delegates attended the banquet in the Adolphus Hotel Monday evening.

A monster crowd was at the Dallas station when the first Denver train rolled into the station in the afternoon, and the officials of the road were given a rousing welcome by the Dallas citizenry.

The first Fort Worth & Denver train ran into Decatur in March, 1882. At that time Decatur was a frontier town far away from any railroad terminal; in fact, Fort Worth was the closest city, and a vast territory of undeveloped country extended east, west and north, with no inducement for settlers to open a home, except the hardy pioneers who have always been the advance guard to development of our country. At that time Decatur was a little village, a plank walk town, with the usual corner saloon, and a few in the middle, but a citizenry of the best people the world ever saw. It was a rendezvous for the ranchmen and settlers who came many miles to buy the necessities of life and learn the news, which was month old, but news just the same. At that time the merchants, thru freighters, secured their merchandise from far distant points, first from Shreveport, later from Dallas and then from Fort Worth, just as railroad facilities advanced into this then primitive territory.

It was a gala day for Decatur when the first "iron horse" ran into town. People from all over the country, from adjoining counties miles away, gathered together in town and put on a celebration that was never equaled, and never will be, for it meant to those old pioneers a dawn of a new era, a realization of their dreams of conquest.

Many of the old-timers have passed away, but a few, a very few, remain who remember that day as the most important epoch in their history. Living today are a few old-timers who recall that momentous stride of advancement in their lives; such men as Judge T. J. McMurray and S. A. Lillard, now living in Decatur, and that old pioneer of the commercial world, Sam Levy, now of Fort Worth, who did a wholesale grocery business here in the the early days, and is now a leading business man of Fort Worth.

Eastern Star.

A called meeting of the Decatur order of Eastern Star will be held in the Masonic Temple on Tuesday night.

At the meeting the installation of new officers for the order will be held and all members are requested to be present.—Reporter.

HUMPHRIES MAY OPERATE IN WISE

It is reported that the Humphries Oil Company has secured leases in the section north of Jacksboro, in Jack county, and is moving machinery on the ground to start a drilling campaign. The claim is being made that later this company intends coming to Wise county, joining the Continental Company in testing out the northwest part of the county. The Continental has holdings in the Chico country and is making preparations to prosecute a drilling campaign.

In the Greenwood section interest in the test to be put down is growing, and another meeting of the land owners in that community was held last night for the purpose of pooling and contracting for another well.

S. M. Gose and another party from Wichita Falls are expected in the city today, and it is rumored that a contract for sinking another well in the Keystone district will be made.

Denton Record Chronicle reports contracts being made for sinking wells in the Pilot Point community, north of that city.

FACULTY ELECTED FOR D. B. C. NEXT SESSION

Trustees of Decatur Baptist College met in the First Baptist church on Tuesday at two o'clock p. m. to elect a faculty for the ensuing year. The following members of the board were present: T. J. Dillehay, H. L. Ward, R. E. Bell, E. E. Plaxco of Fort Worth, T. C. Kuykendall of Mineral Wells, R. R. Gaines of Era, J. H. Heathington of Chico, J. D. Allen of Bowie, and J. E. Fletcher of Slidell.

President J. L. Ward reported the largest enrollment the college has had for many years, and the last session was a prosperous one in every way.

Dr. J. L. Ward was re-elected president for about the twentieth time, and upon his recommendation the following teachers were elected:

E. M. Gettys, history and dean.

Mrs. E. M. Gettys, Latin.

P. M. Curry, English.

Mrs. P. M. Curry, matron of girls' hall.

Clyde J. Newton, mathematics and science.

Rev. J. M. Jones, education and manager of boys' dormitory.

Miss Cousins, piano and voice.

Dr. J. L. Ward was authorized to fill all vacancies, and he is negotiating with a strong man to teach Spanish and coach athletics. It is the plan of the trustees to maintain a very strong athletic department on the same high plane it has occupied the past few years.

The faculty thus far secured is unusually strong. Four of them have master degrees, and Professor Newton has done one year's work toward his doctor's degree. Miss Cousins has studied in Baylor University and several other of the leading music schools of the country, and impresses one as being a young woman of unusual energy and force.

Decatur College is offering wonderful opportunities next year to young people desiring junior college work.

Fred Freeman is this week moving his family to Denton, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Freeman has sold his stage line running from Decatur to Fort Worth, and is now operating a similar line from Denton to the Panther city.

DIPLOMAS GIVEN TO LARGE CLASS

Closing Week at D. B. C. Filled with Splendid Program Series

During the past week Decatur Baptist College closed out its thirty-third year. The past three terms were marked by rapid advancements made in all departments of the school. The climax of the year's work was reached when the commencement exercises began with the recital of the fine arts department on last Thursday evening, May 28th, in the college auditorium.

Under direction of Miss Beatrice Preston the fine arts students have shown marked ability as was exemplified in last Thursday's recital. The members of her classes taking part in the recital were: Misses Louise Norwood, Grace Jo Welch, Margaret Bell, Ruby Angim, Julia Bellah, Ruth Hoyl, Francis Jennings and Jessie Lee Ramsey; Mrs. H. P. Black; and Messrs. Sam Kelley and L. N. Douglas.

On Saturday evening, May 30th, the senior class presented the annual play which was for this year, "The Village Lawyer." Because of the natural ability of the students and hard work of the directors, Miss Beatrice Preston and P. M. Curry, the acting was the best the college has yet seen in any of its senior plays. A crowded house was the reward. The following were members of the cast: Misses Maxine Collins, Mary McCarter, Helen Fairless, Beth Doherty and Lucille Ward; Messrs. Sion Holley, Lloyd Green, Sam Kelley, Bill Elliott, Thurman G. Rohr and Jack Rowland. Dillehay's Orchestra played between acts.

At eleven o'clock Sunday morning, May 31st, Dr. J. B. Tidwell of Baylor University, preached the baccalaureate sermon in the college chapel. His inspiring message was well received by the large audience which packed the hall. Miss Ruth Hoyl, student in the fine arts department, sang "O, Loving Spirit" by Bailey.

As the result of continued rivalry between the Ero-Palladian and Philo-Athenaeum Literary Societies, the debates at commencement of each year have grown to take a large pleace in the year's activities. The debate, held in the auditorium on Monday evening, June 1st, was on the question: "Resolved, that the United States Should Grant the Philippine Islands Their Independence at the End of a Period of Five Years." Clyde Price and Bailey Rennels, Philos, defended the affirmative; and Everett Burton and Burroughs, Eros, championed the negative side of the question. At the completion of each speech the represented society "raised the roof." This year's decision was won by the Eros.

Dr. R. N. Herndon, associated with Dr. F. S. Groner of Dallas, delivered the commencement address in the auditorium on Tuesday morning at nine o'clock. Dr. J. L. Ward then presented the diplomas to the following seniors: H. Bentley Glass, with highest honors; Sion Holley and Jack Park with honors; Mary McCarter, Grace Jo Welch, T. J. Dillehay Jr., Fes Sebastain, Maxine Collins, Sam Kelley, Beth Doherty and H. P. Black with honors; Harold Jones, Elizabeth Byrd, Jim Smith, Loretta McGhee, Francis Jennings, Margaret Thompson, Foard Doyle, A. L. Gregg, Ruth Hoyl, Ted Williams, Hortense Robertson, Lloyd Green, Modrel Watson, Johnnie Mae Stone, Laura Stone and Thelma Petty.

J. B. KELLEY DIED LAST SUNDAY AT HIS HOME

J. B. Kelley, more familiarly known as Brock Kelley, passed away on last Sunday morning, May 24th, at his daughter's Mrs. Lou Clark. He was nearly seventy-eight years old, lacking only a few days.

Mr. Kelley has been a citizen of this county for over forty years, coming here from Tennessee in 1880.

J. B. Kelley was one of our best men; a christian gentleman, and he possessed all the qualities of a good man; strickly honest and faithful; industrious and depended upon his own labors for his living. He was a man that we could count on for all the qualities in the making of a good citizen. He was an unassuming man, attending strictly to his own business. He had convictions of his own and stood by them. He believed in good government and contended for it. He was an affectionate father and husband, his wife having died last fall. He believed in the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead thru the power of God as taught in the holy scriptures, and did not hesitate to say so.

Since the death of his wife he has lived a very lonely life, and intimated to his friends and relatives that if it were God's will for him to go he was ready at all times. His death was very sudden; his mind was clear till the last minute of his life, yet one could see in his very nature that he longed to go to his other home.

He is survived by three sons and two daughters—Frank Kelley, Lon Kelley and Mrs. Nelle Clark, who live at Paradise; Mrs. Grace Lookingbill, who lives in West Texas, not far from New Mexico; Roy Kelley, who lives in Oklahoma.

It is the wish of this writer that the sons and daughters may emulate and follow the example of their good father and mother and make good men and women, for we surely need them.

Written by one who knew him for over forty years and was associated with him more or less during all this time and it is with pleasure these few words are penned in memory of this good man.—His Neighbor.

Prof. and Mrs. Curry Entertain D.B.C. Class

Hall entertained the seniors with a five o'clock supper Monday evening June 1st, in accordance with the custom established by preceding residents of the hall.

About forty seniors enjoyed the affair. Miss Beatrice Preston, teacher of music and voice in the college, and Burroughs Waltrip were guests of honor.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Black sang a duet and Miss Preston rendered a piano solo, before the lunch prepared by the Currys was served.

The lunch concluded a social program for a senior class which in numbers and spirit has had few, if any, equals in D. B. C.—Chieftain.

To add the last touch to a delicious salad . . .

SEASON your salads with a mayonnaise made with Mrs. Tucker's Shortening.

Just melt two cupfuls of Mrs. Tucker's and pour into lightly beaten egg. Add half a teaspoonful of mustard, a teaspoonful of lemon juice and vinegar, some salt and a pinch of paprika or cayenne pepper. Inexpensive, easy, this makes a delicious dressing.

This is but one of the countless uses for which Mrs. Tucker's is incomparable. A pure vegetable shortening, it imparts a delicious creaminess to all cooking and baking. It has all the richness of butter and none of the heavy greasiness of lard. And it goes further than ordinary shortening.

Get a pail of Mrs. Tucker's from your grocer today. It is made exclusively of choice cottonseed-oil. You can be absolutely certain that it will be absolutely sweet and fresh. The air-tight feature of the new pail makes sure of that. Interstate Cotton Oil Refining Company, Sherman, Texas.

Mrs Tucker's Shortening
America's finest cooking fat

TENNESSEE DARIES MAN SAYS WISE COUNTY NEEDING MORE HIGHWAYS

While attending a meeting of dairy farmers in Wise county recently, K. V. Lipscomb, vice president of the Tennessee Dairies of Dallas, stated:

"I like to come to Decatur. I like to attend these dairy meetings and do what I can to foster interest in and undersanding of what is truly a great industry. Apparently there exists a desire among many of your people to make this premier dairy region of the south, if it not already is. It may as well be understood that there are some consideration that are primely essential to that success.

"One of them is the necessity of understanding and practising with business-like precision the methods that modern science and experience have developed. That is why I think you are doing right to conduct these repeated schools.

"Another thing that is substantially necessary to the highest development of the industry in Wise county is a good system of hard-surfaced country roads leading from the major communities and making connection with the main thoro-fares that lead to the consuming markets.

"As for the part the Tennessee Dairies hopes to play in this possible expansion, I will say this: Just as soon as Wise county provides the foundation essential of knowledge of the business of production, good producing herds and the requisite roads, we will be in position to take from you daily five to six thousand gallons of milk. We have marked you out as a potential dairy country, are permanently interested with you, and every beneficial service we can perform is freely yours."

Mr. Lipscomb is a foremost business leader of Dallas and thru him Dallas, with its teeming population, its giant financial and business concerns, is speaking in stentorian tones to Decatur and Wise county. Get out your pencil and figure in dollars and cents what Dallas says: Six thousand gallons of milk delivered at the present market rate amounts in a round sum to more than four hundred thousand dollars annually. That is the beautiful significance of what the city of Dallas means.

It is of pertinence to know if we in Wise county are responsively alive to our opportunity. Four hundred thousand dollars is the equivalent of two-thirds of the whole revenue we used to receive from a flush normal cotton crop we used to market in Decatur before the boll weevil hit the county. It is more than that. The destructive influences of credit and crop failures are not in the equasion. It is pertinent to inquire if we are backing the campaign that looks to the dissemination of dairy knowledge and efforts that seek the building of a county system of roads in our own home county.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that one week from the publication hereof Mrs. Etta Counts, temporary guardian of the estate of Paul Counts, Howard Counts, Rena Counts and J. M. Counts Jr. will apply to the county judge of Wise County, Texas, for authority to execute a mineral lease upon the lands of her said wards, to-wit: Two tracts, respectively of 155 acres and 75 acres, being parts of the Jas. L. Cobb survey in Wise County, Texas. This June 5th, 1925. (June 5)

Prosperous Utilities Give Good Service

Public utilities, among which the furnishing of natural gas is one of the most useful, have overhead expenses that comparatively few people ever think about. In order to function they must invest huge sums of money all the time; must prepare far in advance to meet their customers' needs.

Money must be set aside from their receipts to maintain their properties in condition to meet the demands, thus to provide the funds necessary to replace the equipment as it wears out or becomes obsolete through improvements.

Money must be set aside also to pay the rental for money used in installing the plant, and provision must be made for the eventual replacement of this sum, especially in the natural gas field, where there is no such thing as permanence.

Then money must be provided for operating expenses, including such charges as insurance, taxes, etc.

What may be left over, if any, after these are all properly provided for, may be said to go as profit to those who have invested their money, efforts and time in making the supply available. This may properly be said to be compensation for the risk they run—a not inconsiderable risk in so uncertain a field as gas production.

Only when a utility is fairly profitable can it give the right kind of service, for only then can it attract the capital it constantly needs.

LONE STAR GAS CO.

YOUR CONVENIENCE—OUR JOB

—Of course you wouldn't want to be without your electric light and power service today. How would it seem to go back forty years or so when these convenineces did not exist?

—Just a touch of the finger brings a flood of light, clean and safe—or a flow of silent, irresistible power to do your work, from the largest to the smallest job around the home or shop.. All of this is at your instant command, day and night, as much as you need.

—If you could see the giant electric machines and the many, many miles of transmission lines, you would know our job is not simple.

—But the harder job the great the satisfaction is in getting it done. We are proud of our work. And we our prouder still now and then when someone tells us our service is good.

TEXAS POWER & LIGHT CO.

"Judge, your honor," cried the prisoner at the bar, "have I got to be tried by a lady jury?"

"Be still," whispered the judge.

"I won't be still! Judge, I can't even fool my own wife, let alone twelve strange women. I'm guilty!"

"You say you come from Detroit," said the doctor to his fellow passenger. "That's where they make automobiles, isn't it?"

"Sure," replied the American with some resentment, "we make other things in Detroit."

"Yes, I know," retorted the doctor. "I've riddtn in 'em."

Irate Wife (discovering sc husband on front steps fiddling door-knob)—"What are you there, Webster?"

Wife's voice (from up-stairs)—"Y are back very quickly, dear."

Husband (who went out ten minutes previously to try out a new motorcycle)—"er-yes-dear. I got a lift in an ambulance."

Manager E. W. Blythe of the Blythe Bathing Beach announces that owing to the slow movement of water at his bathing pool, his formal opening will be postponed one week, which will be Wednesday, June 17th.

COMING---SURE!

Highest Class Dramatic Show Playing in the Entire South

HARVE
HOLLAND'S COMEDIANS
TENT THEATRE

ALL WEEK IN DECATUR

COMMENCING
Monday, June 8

New Plays—New Vaudeville

25---PEOPLE---25
BAND AND ORCHESTRA

LADIES FREE ON OPENING NIGHT
One lady admitted FREE when accompanied by one paid admission ticket

Doors Open 7:15 Orchestra Called 7:45 Curtain 8:15 P. M.

PRICES: CHILDREN 10c ADULTS 30c

OPENING OF BLYTHE
Bathing Beach
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17th

FROM 3 O'CLOCK TO 11 O'CLOCK P. M.

MUSIC BY THE HAPPY FOUR ORCHESTRA

—With the improvements and conveniences made since last season, Decatur now has one of the best swimming pools in the state. Clean, clear water, beautiful shade trees; an ideal play ground. Come and enjoy a good swim amid pleasing surroundings.

GOOD ORDER AT ALL TIMES PLENTY OF SUITS

BLYTHE BATHING BEACH
—Four miles East of Decatur—

LOCAL NEWS

HEDULE FOR FORT WORTH & DENVER TRAINS.

NORTH BOUND.

	Ft. Worth	Decatur	W. Falls
7—	10:45 pm	12:21 am	3:00 am
1—	9:45 am	11:07 am	1:25 pm
o. 5—	6:45 pm	8:16 pm	10:55 pm

SOUTH BOUND.

	W. Falls	Decatur	Ft. Worth
No. 8—	3:00 am	5:26 am	7:00 am
No. 4—	9:00 am	11:28 am	12:45 pm
No. 2—	2:45 pm	5:00 pm	6:20 pm

Mrs. A. D. Reeves and son, A. D. Jr. are visiting relatives in Dallas.

Miss Lucy Budd of Bellevue, is the guest of Miss Clyde Griffith this week.

J. E. Ward of Wichita Falls, was here Tuesday visiting relatives and friends.

Hale Cates, who attended school at A. & M. College, has returned to his home here.

H. L. Jones was in Fort Worth on Monday, where he underwent medical examination.

Mr. and Mrs. Brit Buttrill and children of Grand Prairie visited relative here Wednesday.

Miss Cecil Armstrong, who has been attending D. B. C. here, returned to her home in Sunset.

Mr. and Mrs. John Christian and Miss Julia Bellah left Tuesday for a visit in San Antonio.

Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Payne, Mrs. S. A. Lillard Jr. and Miss Mary Beth Lillard have been visiting in Sweetwater.

Mrs. J. A. Compton and children of Rotan, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Grover Ashlock in Woody Valley, on Deep Creek.

S. T. Lillard and wife and J. F. Huntoon and wife returned Tuesday from a several weeks trip to South Texas and Old Mexico.

Rufus Roberts, who has been attending Baylor Medical College at Dallas the past session, returned to his home in Decatur first of the week.

B. C. Bloodworth of Olney, spent several days with his wife and child who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mann, here.

Dr. J. L. Ward and wife and little daughter, Elizabeth Ann, left middle of the week for New Orleans, where they will visit for several days with relatives.

Misses Blanche and Madge Scott of T. W. C. at Fort Worth, and Lady Bess Prunty of C. I. A. at Denton, have returned to their homes in Decatur for the summer.

J. A. Carl and family moved the first of the week to Fort Worth, where Mr. Carl has purchased a filling station. W. E. Green of Bridgeport has purchased the Carl residence and will occupy same about the first of July.

Word to his parents here states that J. L. Wooldridge Jr. has been transferred from the naval station of the Philippine Islands to the U. S. S. Medusa at San Francisco. Sailor Wooldridge has been at the naval air station for about ten months.

Volus Norsworthy, formerly of this city but lately of Ringgold, suffered a very painful blow on his head last Saturday at his home. While working on a radio aerial pole the timber fell and struck him on his head, rendering him unconscious. He did not regain consciousness until Sunday, but is resting nicely at this writing.

L. N. Nichols and wife, W. W. Brown and J. E. Kendrick and wife attended a meeting of the Montague County Rural Letter Carriers Association at Bowie last Saturday, May 30th, as representatives of the Wise county association. They reported a splendid meeting. Carrier Nichols stated that interest in a woman's auxiliary was manifested at Bowie, which movement will probably be innovated in this county soon.

Attorney A. B. Cates was in Dallas on business yesterday.

J. A. Brown of Mineral Wells, was here last of the week.

Miss Artie Mae Floyd has returned to her home in Electra.

Miss Mildred Kerr is visiting relatives and friends in Decatur.

Miss Hazel Shults is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shults in Decatur.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ferguson, on Tuesday, May 23rd, a son.

Dr. P. J. Fullingim and wife are spending several days in Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Mary King of Petersburg, Tennessee, was here last week-end visiting her uncle, John Massey.

Arthur Brady will study art during the summer in Fort Worth under the instruction of Professor Will T. McGee, a noted Texas artist.

Eye glasses fitted; broken frames mended; broken lenses duplicated. Good work guaranteed. W. M. Sanders, druggist and optometrist.

Circle three of Methodist W. M. S. will hold a Saturday market in the Lillard's Hardware store on Saturday, June 6th. Good things to eat will be sold, and your patronage is solicited.

Rev. R. F. Shinn, evangelist, has just returned from Eastern Arkansas, where he had a great revival. Seventy additions to the church in a two weeks' meeting. Brother Shinn will attend the summer school for ministers at S. M. U. in Dallas June 4th to 17th. Brother Shinn reports that he saw many old friends and had a pleasant trip as well as a great revival.

County Agent W. M. Love announces a demonstration of the Corsicana grader, to be given on the W. S. Gilbert farm, about one and one-half miles southwest of town, Saturday afternoon, beginning at one-thirty. This is one of the best known implements for doing terracing work, and will be highly worth going to see by all who are interested in terracing in the future.

Bridge Party in Honor of Bride-to-Be Is Given

Miss Thelma Petty and Mrs. B. F. Grubbs entertained Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Petty with a bridge party and linen shower, honoring Miss Artie Mae Floyd, who on June 17th will become Mrs. J. Marion Gibbon.

The color scheme of pink and white was very effectively carried out thruout the living room and dining room with cut flowers and ferns.

Mrs. S. J. Petty received the guests. They were ushered to the dining room by Miss Thelma, where punch was served by Misses Gertie Petty and Ida Pearl Gill. From here the guests were conducted to the living room and seated at bridge tables. Tally cards in shape of wedding bells were passed to the guests. After five games of bridge Mrs. H. M. Hein proved to be the best player, and for this honor she was given an ivory card case. Miss Ruth Prince of Electra, who has been the house guest of Miss Floyd for the past week, received the guest prize. As honored guest Miss Floyd received a large pink and white basket presented by Little Doris and Dorcas Dodson. The bride opened and found concealed within it numerous beautiful pieces of linen.

An ice course was served to forty guests, with favors of wedding slippers: "Honoring Artie Mae Floyd."

Miss Floyd and her guest left immediately for their homes in Electra.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

INGRAM DRUG COMPANY, Decatur

EPWORTH LEAGUE HAS INTERESTING MEETING

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Decatur District Epworth League was held in Bridgeport May 30th and 31st, with a good attendance. Those from Decatur attending the meeting were Mrs. T. G. Rogers, Misses Emma Dean Belew, Annie Caddell, Estelle Belew, Sarah Jane Horseman, Minnie Joe Hornback, Mary Lee Ran, Myrtle Lee and Velma Manning; Messrs. Outler Gose, Ray Reed, Cleo Ran, Rollins Taylor, Clifford Reid and Charlie Ran.

Brother Estes of Vashti preached the league sermon at the eleven o'clock hour on Sunday. Mr. McCulloch of Wichita Falls, conducted the social on Saturday night, and was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Bridgeport leaguers are to be congratulated on the delightful manner in which they entertained the visiting leaguers.

The nex quarterly conference will be held in Paradise. Plan now to attend this meeting.

The following officers were elected for ensuing year: Mrs. T. G. Rogers, district secretary; C. S. Henderson, president; Eugene Hembree of Bridgeport, first vice president; Walter Franklin of Jacksboro, second vice president; Ed Hornback of Decatur, third vice president; Pierce Chandler of Bowie, secretary; Annie Caddell of Decatur, treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Douglass of Decatur, first department superintendent; Mildred Rogers of Jacksboro, second department superintendent; Mary Le Ran of Decatur, third department superintendent; and Fern Managin of Bowie fourth department superintendent.

Mrs. T. G. Rogers was elected as delegate to represent this district at the league meeting at Mount Sequyah, the league training school, to be held August 19th to 28th.

Mrs. A. W. Elmore of Harlingen, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Heck Miller.

Campus at D. B. C. Is Improved by Teachers

Although our campus is not covered with beautiful shade trees nor has a productive soil, it has been made as beautiful as is possible because of the illimitable amount of work Mrs. Curry and Miss Roark have done, attempting to get some flowers to grow on it. Now that the high winds have ceased and the drouth has been broken, they are reaping some benefits from their labors. At last the grass has begun to grow, but several persons, especially Mr. Curry, are not so over-joyed at this fact, since it means that "the song of the lawn-mower" must be heard frequently.

Old students can appreciate these efforts to beautify the campus because of its jungle-like appearance last year at commencement.—The Chieftain.

Notice by Publication.

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year in your county, at least once a week for ten days previous to the return day hereof, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas. To all persons interested in the estate of Radford Maxey, deceased, Susie I. Maxey has filed an application in the county court of Wise county on the 2nd day of June 1925, for the probate of will and of issuance of letters testamentary, which said application will be heard by said court on the 6th day of July, 1925, at the court house of said county, in Decatur, Texas, at which time all persons who are interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

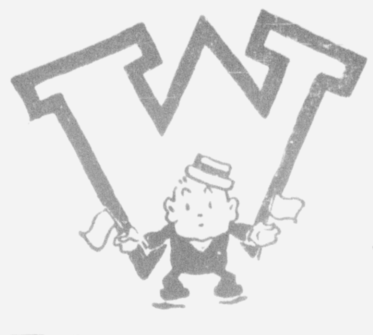
Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Decatur, Texas, this 2nd day of June, 1925.—MRS. RUTH BELEW, Clerk of County Court, Wise County, Texas. By G. S. Blewett, deputy clerk. (June 5-12)

That cruel burning inflammation is cooled and soothed by

Heiskell's Ointment

Perhaps the trouble is Eczema. Heiskell's Ointment will heal it just as effectually as it does less serious skin trouble. At your Druggist, send for a sample. Johnston, Holloway & Co., Philada.



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Let us cook for you during the hot weather season and give her a rest. Good, wholesome home cooking prepared the way you like it. Give us a trial.

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ICE CREAM

—All Kinds—

EXCLUSIVELY

"The Healthful Food"

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"A Drug Store for 49 Years"

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Decatur, Texas

Monday and Tuesday, June 8-9
"Single Wives," a First National Picture
with Corinne Griffith and Milton Sills
also
"House and Shortage," Comedy

Thursday and Friday, June 11-12
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with an all-star cast. A picture that will please you.
—also—
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"The Days of 49," Episode 5
—also—
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—and—
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A sale of $3.00 and $5.00 hats go while they last at
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is good flour; every care is taken in making this flour to meet the demand of the discriminating public, which must be pleased. It is our aim and constant endeavor to make "Pride of Texas" superior to most flour, and equal to the best, and the constantly increasing demand for this product of your home mill leads us to believe that we are meeting the requirements of our customers.

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Friday Morning, June 5, 1925

Talking of Good Roads.

William Snort and his neighbor Bunk
Met one day where a right smart chunk
Of the old dirt road had washed away
From an over-flow of the creek that day.
Said Snort as he stroked a reflective chin
And closed the throttle o' the thing o' tin,
"Blast my hide if it don't look like
We'll have to vote to build a pike.
I've always said I'd never stand
For any more taxes agin' my land
But the roads are gittin' in such a mess,
I'll swan to you I must confess
I'd about as soon pay for a new highway
As to always be stickin' in the mud this way."

Then he opened her up and threw in the clutch;
He gave her gas, but she didn't move much,
Till Bunk got out an' sloshed around
And looked about till he had found
A pole and a rick, and heaved away,
And got all covered with mud and spray
From the old tin boat as the wheels spun 'round,
While Snort was a-pullin' to firmer ground.

[illegible]

Good roads!

Vote for good roads.

Some fellow has suggested that we [illegible] the Dallas & Denver [illegible]

Would the citizens living along the [illegible] Highway do without that road? Ask the man who uses it.

The toll taken by the bad roads in Wise county is times over greater than the cost of permanent highways.

Now comes the rumor that Clarence [illegible] is entertaining hope that the [illegible] will [illegible] to the governor's chair.

[illegible] Delightful Decatur [illegible] Monday night.

The [illegible] increase in taxes is [illegible] the pleasure and profit [illegible] citizens when good roads are constructed.

No [illegible] in the whole wide world has ever [illegible] that failed to look after its [illegible]. Churches, schools and good roads [illegible].

Judge [illegible] in the Dallas News says Governor Ferguson [illegible] thing [illegible] powers [illegible] the governor's [illegible] the cases [illegible] executive.

The state [illegible] stand ready to assist [illegible] Wise county in perfecting a good roads system throughout the county. Your government, to encourage the building of good roads, says it will back you up in getting your products to market.

Tyler is making preparations to show the Texas Press Association members the time of their lives at the meeting to be held in that city on the eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth of this merry month. Years ago Tyler was known far and wide for its peculiar brand of politics; today its fame for producing peaches and pears reaches to the four corners of the earth.

J. L. Ward, president of Decatur College, and one of the best known men in Wise county, a builder, a champion of the things that will bring prosperity to his people, says: "I am for the bond issue; if we are to enjoy prosperity we must have good roads; good roads and good schools go hand in hand."

Do you realize that with the designated highways being supervised and looked after by your government's trained engineers, your commissioners with their funds and equipments will be constantly building and improving the community lateral roads? Do you realize that you will get service in road building in your community that you have never received?

More than once or twice in our nation's history a great issue has arisen, upon the determination of which the integrity of the republic seemed to depend. Never did such a number of such issues arise together as at the present time. The efficiency of the supreme court as a coordinate department of the federal government, the rights of the states as against [illegible]

Kindle the Fire.

[illegible] government's establishment. It is there that the fire of patriotism is kindled and the flame of loyalty is burnished in their minds and hearts.

There [illegible] literature with a historical background, patriotic utterances of our statesmen, celebrations of notable American events, and the impressive monuments erected in a number of places throughout the country to mark the scenes of outstanding events, to commemorate the work of our statesmen, and to honor the glory of our heroes, each and all of these serve to perpetuate the true spirit of American patriotism.

Washington Monument at the capital is more than striking architecture. It is an inspiration. The Lincoln Memorial is not merely an example of what [illegible]. This memorial is a [illegible] of a great spirit. It is a [illegible] to honesty; it is a [illegible] to true sacrifice.

A [illegible] told us recently that he had stood in the Capitol at Washington to view the original copy of the Constitution of the United States. His reaction was voiced to us in the vernacular: "I never thought I could get such a kick out of a few pieces of paper."

His thoughts, as he stood there, were [illegible]. For more than a century it has withstood the fretful attacks of the discontented. The astute minds of master men like Alexander Hamilton and John Marshall have interpreted its concepts with inspired sagacity and devotion. It has been the virile and staunch backbone of a republic that has passed through severe crises, that has suffered the bitter consequences of political strife, of rebellion and of warfare. What a masterpiece!

We have a history, we Americans. We should honor it with pride, and keep ever alive in ourselves the spirit of the words of Alexander Hamilton: "God grants liberty only to those who love it, and are always ready to guard and defend it."

Twenty Years Ago

Messenger, June 2, 1905.

Miss Callie Sweeton is visiting in Fort Worth with friends.

Will Gresham has returned from the St. Louis markets.

J. N. Arnold sold eleven bales of cotton here Tuesday at 7.60.

George Matheson was here from Cottondale first part of the week.

Henry Bridges and Wash Davis, deputy tax assessors, were in town this week.

Wes Helm on Tuesday moved his family to their new home on South Trinity street.

Hardie Shoemaker has accepted a position with the Fort Worth Stockyards Company.

Charles E. Spencer has sold his newspaper, the Bells News, and has moved to Nocona, where he will engage in the practice of law.

The work on additions to J. W. Hogg's residence in North Decatur is completed and the house is now a very commodious, comfortable and sightly one.

Miss Minnie Simmons has returned from Mississippi, accompanied by her nieces, Misses Catherine and Eddie Lee Byrd, who will visit relatives here for some time.

Worth Repeating.

I believe in advertising and publicity. It has done more to bring humanity to right understanding than almost anything else in the world. When you put advertising forward you must believe in it. Advertising to be effective must be honest and must carry a message. I want to advertise the United States of America as the best republic in the world; I want to advertise the American life as the best in the world; I want to advertise American business as the best business in the world, and, God helping me, we're going to make it the best business in the world without [illegible] government [illegible].—Warren G. Harding.

A New Rail Outlet.

[illegible] Fort Worth & [illegible]

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Ladies', Misses' and Children's Millinery, Hats, Ornaments, Flowers and Shapes

NOTHING WILL BE RESERVED IN THIS BIG CLOSE OUT AT COST AND LESS THAN WHOLESALE PRICE

This Mighty Close-Out Sale begins promptly at

8 a. m.-- Saturday, June 6 --8 a. m.

AND CONTINUES FOR TEN DAYS

Come early and pick your choice of the many beautiful hats, flowers, ornaments, shapes, etc. which we have to offer you.

All ladies' and children's hats which have been selling at $2.00, $1.75 and $1.50—choice of these 95c
All ladies', misses' and children's hats formerly selling at $3.00, $2.75 and $2.50—choice of lot $1.45
All ladies', misses' and children's hats which sold for $4.00, $3.75 and $3.50—choice of these $1.95
All ladies' and misses' hats which sold formerly for $6.00, $5.50 and $5.00—your choice for $2.95

Remember we are closing out our entire stock of all descriptions of millinery at less than wholesale cost. First to come gets pick of the stock. All hats will be placed on tables down-stairs and grouped in lots as advertised here. Remembers the prices—95c, $1.45, $1.95 and $2.95—and get yours.

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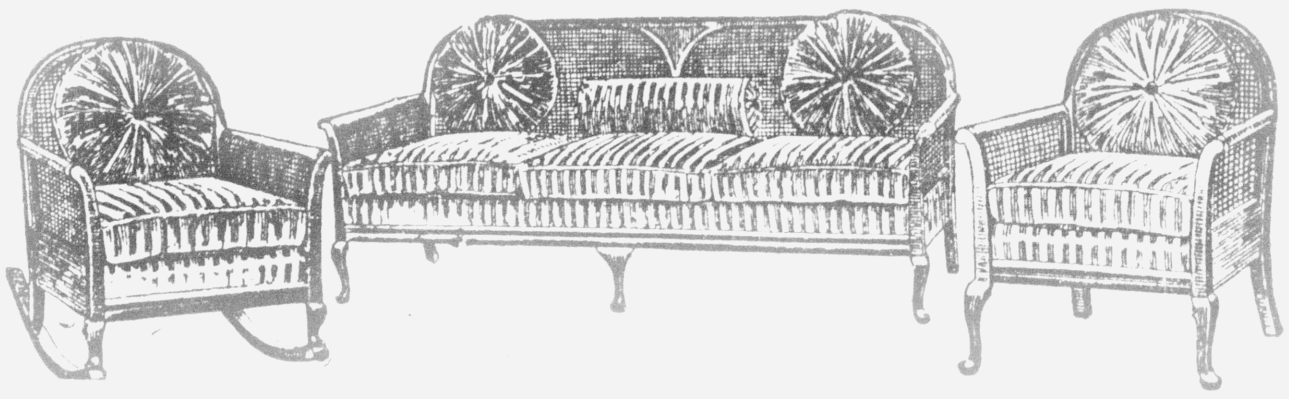

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WOLF PACK THREATE MAN'S LIFE AT BETH

On Monday of last week, whil . W. Cook of Shiloh community plowing corn in a field near his he had a terrific encounter w vicious, blood-thirsty wolf pack in the struggle came near losi life.

It seems that Mr. Cook had a jug of water in the shade of near a thick brushy spot in wh old male wolf was raising a li pups on shares. The thicket wild and haunted place, Mr would not go near it until thirs him to the jug. He had ta first and second drink before came out.

It seems that the first ter was a draw. Cook yelled at olf and kicked at it once, and wolf growled and bit Cook once, mak- ing the first round a draw. the fourth and fifth drinks, a w lock of wolves came out and sat their tails and began to howl flood. This was more than Mr. C could stand, so he opened fire on pack with an old shot-gun lo with scrap iron and peach seeds. loud gun fire roused the neighbo l, and Red Simpson came running to see what the trouble was abo On his arrival Red could only se e wolf, but after taking a drin water from the jug he, too, co see the whole pack; but, being man of strict business, he at o saw the possibilities of big money apturing the pack alive and sell them to some zoo.

So he counseled car and they sat down to devise so means of capturing the whole flo They first tried roping them, b he wolves chased them out of th eld. Their next move was to spri salt on the wolves' tails, but they uldn't stand still. The men finally all patience and again opened fi on the pack with the shot-gun. this juncture, York Simpson came ning up, and when the smoke of be had cleared away, nothing was d of the wolf pack except an o piece of gray blanket hanging on ush which the brave men had shot pieces.

P. S.—A chemic nalysis of the contents of the j revealed strong traces of pere aqua Skygak.

Charley Bill Crowley Is Host to Young Friends

Charley Bill Crowley entertained a few little friends with a party Tuesday afternoon.

After playing many games, refreshments were served to the following children: Doris and Dorcas Dodson, Eva Jo Carr, Emma Fay Montgomery, Watson Clifton, N. W. Harrington, J. D. Carr, Tom Patterson, Paul Rose, Charlie Bill Crowley, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. T. J. Dilley, Mrs. R. L. Crowley and Miss Eddie Lee Crowley.

At just what point do you begin to call a business man an executive?

"When he takes up golf."

Sufferers From Skin Diseases

If you are afflicted with Eczema, Tetter, Itch, Seven-Year Itch, Barber Itch or itch in its various forms, Ringworms, Pimples, Dandruff, Salt-Rheum, Skin Eruptions or any other skin disease or trouble,

HOOPER'S TETTER-REM

is POSITIVELY GUARANTEED to give you satisfaction—you to be the judge—or your money will be refunded.

HOOPER'S TETTER-REM, which is a germicide, has been sold for more than a quarter century.

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A WONDERFUL POULTRY REMEDY

Given fowls in drinking water or feed absolutely will rid them of lice, mites, fleas, blue bugs and all destructive insects.

Contains sulphur scientifically compounded with other health building ingredients; is a good tonic and blood purifier; nothing better for preventing disease. Give it to your fowls one month. If they are not healthier, don't lay more eggs and are kept free of destructive insects, your money refunded. Sold by Ingram Drug Company.

A SPLENDID FEELING

That tired, half-sick, discouraged feeling caused by a torpid liver and constipated bowels can be gotten rid of with surprising promptness by using Herbine. You feel its beneficial effect with the first dose as its purifying and regulating effect is thorough and complete. It not only drives out bile and impurities but it imparts a splendid feeling of exhilaration, strength, vim, and buoyancy of spirits. Price 60c. Sold by

EAGLE DRUG HOUSE — Decatur

LIONS CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY IS ATTENDED BY RECORD NUMBER

A splendid attendance was had at the Wednesday luncheon of the local Lions Club, only two members being absent, both of whom were out of the city. There were five visitors at the meeting: M. B. Oates of Wichita Falls, John Fullingim, S. T. Liliard and W. A. Helm of Decatur, and Judge R. M. West of Navasota.

W. W. Boyd, who was the first to have charge of the program for the day, under the new plan of passing the plum around each week, presented some very interesting and humorous reminisences of his period of office holding at Austin while he was state game, fish and oyster commissioner under Governor Pat M. Neff.

M. B. Oates, who is agricultural agent for the Denver road, explained his task of "making hard boiled eggs safe for our breakfasts" in Wise county. Mr. Oates is here all this week in the interest of organizing the poultry raisers of the county in the better methods of marketing eggs, and is speaking over the county. County Agent W. M. Love is co-operating with the gentleman. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Oates stated that a chick hatchery should be established in or near Decatur, believing that one of about five thousand egg capacity will be a paying proposition. There are now thirteen commercial chick hatcheries on the Denver line, having a weekly capacity of about a hundred thousand baby chicks. The agent said that the poultry business was a fast growing enterprise; that the annual shipments of poultry and products on his line had grown from eighty to two hundred and seventeen cars per year during the last five years. The urgent need of strict egg circles was persented by Mr. Oates.

Judge R. M. West, who is acting as an information bureau and advisory board for H. C. Burt & Company of Houston, spoke briefly of his willingness to co-operate with all citizens on the road proposition, asking any questions or explaining the benefits to be derived from the proposed bond issue in Wise county.

S. T. Lillard, who on Tuesday had returned from a tour of South Texas, told of his trip briefly. He states he saw many interesting sights, but was glad to get back to his home county. Concerning his remarks, he said that Wise county was the most prosperous looking county this side of the valley [illegible] country.

"Ox" Fullingim, who has been the past year associated with the Decatur College, made a few remarks concerning what the college meant to Decatur from a financial standpoint. He said that about two hundred thousand dollars was spent in Decatur each year by students of D. B. C.—an item not be ignored by local citizens.

Professor P. M. Curry reported that there were very encouraging prospects for a good enrollment at Decatur College for the summer session, which began Wednesday morning.

Popular Young People Married in Fort Worth

Orwell Thompson and Miss Irene Reynolds were married June 1st at the home of Rev. Killian of Fort Worth at three o'clock p. m. Only a few intimate friends of the couple were present. Accompanying them were George Zorns and Miss Cecile Beacham. Supper was served at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. Thompson is a popular young man and holds a position with a bridging company on the Rock Island railroad. The bride in this happy event is one of the most charming young ladies in our county; her friends are legion in her home town and in Decatur, where she attended school. She is beautiful and gracious and possesses a sweet disposition and christian character. This young lady is a prize that is worth the best and noblest efforts of the splendid young man who has won her heart and hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will make their home in Boyd, where he is engaged in work.

Methodist Church.

Preaching services at ten a. m. and eight p. m. Text for the morning service will be "The Zeal of Thine House Hath Eaten Me Up." John 2:17. There will be special music at both services.

Sunday school begins at nine forty-five. Let us become a church-going people. You have a most cordial invitation to all services.—Rev. B. Hall.

"Pa," said Clarence, "what becomes of a ball player when his eyesight begins to fail?"

"They make an umpire of him," growled his dad.

READ THIS!

¶ There is pride in ownership—even of cabbage when that erin special is crisp and fresh. We sight the lowly cabbage because we know you know when we talk of fresh vegetables it means all vegetables, fruits and berries.

¶ Don't be at wit's end on what to get for a change, Mrs. House-wife. Come to our store and let your problem solve itself. This store is headquarters for many good things to eat.

Fresh sweet milk on ice—in pint and quart bottles. Give us an order for milk to be delivered with your groceries.

¶—Our prices are reasonable and we appreciate your trade. Call us over either telephone—and we'll do the rest!

WRIGHT BROTHERS
—East Side Square—

TEXAS QUALIFIED DRUGGISTS' LEAGUE SAYS:

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Legally Registered Pharmacist

"When you become ill you see a doctor, and the prescrption the doctor writes you to take to a pharmacist to have filled. But do you take the same precautions, do you observe the same safety first rules when you buy prepared or proprietary medicines?—Buy from your druggist."

EMPIRE DRUG COMPANY

FUNDS BEING RECEIVED FOR PURCHASING BULL

Just how rapidly a well managed better sire association succeeds in augmenting the number of fine grade stock in a community is attested to by the experience of the Wise County Pure Bred Jersey Bull Association, whose members were called together in a meeting last Saturday to take steps to re-place one of the fine bulls which had recently died.

It was exhibited that the four bulls of the association in the two years of the operation have been crossed on two hundred of the best dairy cows of the vicinity and that the progenity of this and last spring have resulted. It is estimated that there are now one hundred heifer calves of this breeding of presumptively—thus far—high producing value which will before long be ready to inure to the enhancement of the profitable side of the dairy industry. The sires of these calves were of the best that could be bought in Texas of register of merit mothers whose test records showed that they produced from four hundred to eight hundred pounds annually of butter fat.

The estimated cost of the new bull that will re-place the one lost is two hundred dollars, which must be borne by the members of the association. However, the association is receiving the financial assistance of the business men of the town to such a degree that it is certain that the new sire will soon be received here.

Boss—"Sir, what does this mean? Someone just called up and said you were sick an dcouldn't work today."

Clerk—"Ha, ha! The joke is on him. He wasn't supposed to call up until tomorrow."

Mrs. Minnie McCarter has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harris at Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McCarter at Vernon.

DECATUR OR FORT WORTH?----

—Are you for Decatur or Fort Worth? If you believe in Decatur and want to see it grow, patronize its enterprises and help them to succeed. We make extra good ice and sell it cheaper than any town of this size handles it for, in fact as cheap as Fort Worth retails its ice for.

—Help us succeed in our undertaking by letting our wagons serve you and in turn we can help build a better town and community.

COLD STORAGE RATES ON APPLICATION

THE DECATUR ICE COMPANY
OUR MOTTO—GOOD ICE AT A FAIR PRICE
BOTH PHONES NO. 5
ICE— COLD STORAGE

FISHING TACKLE

The fishing season is on in full blast, and the lakes and streams are abounding in fish. Recent "rises" in the river has caused some of the choicest of the finny tribe to come up to seek the playgrounds in our waters. Get the proper tackle, and so prepared, make good catches.

All kinds of hooks, minnow nets, rods, cane poles, bags, flies---everything you need.

CATCH 'EM WHILE THE CATCHING IS GOOD

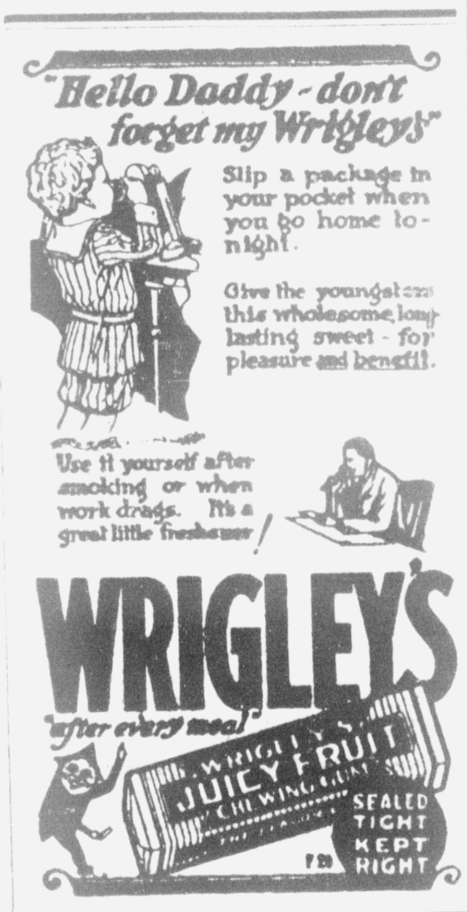
LILLARD & COMPANY
Sporting Goods—Hardware—Implements

C. H. Schulkey Moving to Location in Electra

Dr. C. H. Schulkey, dentist, has bought an office in Electra, and expects to leave Chillicothe next week to make that city his future location.

Dr. Schulkey came to Chillicothe a year ago, buying the Dr. Bailey office. Since that time he has built up a nice business and has proven one of the best dentists in this part of Texas.

It is with deep regrets that Chillicothe gives up such a man as Dr. Schulkey, as a business men and citizen the city is losing a promising young man, and the church is losing one of its most consecrated workers, but our loss is Electra's gain, and we predict for him rapid progress in his chosen profession.—Chillicothe News.


"Hello Daddy - don't forget my Wrigley's"
Slip a package in your pocket when you go home to-night.
Give the youngsters this wholesome, long-lasting sweet - for pleasure and benefit.
Use it yourself after smoking or when work drags. It's a great little freshener!
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WRIGLEY'S JUICY FRUIT CHEWING GUM
SEALED TIGHT KEPT RIGHT
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COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

Well, folks, I'm a-goin' to buy me a Ford. Didn't think I would ever own me a car cause I couldn't rake up enuf coin to buy a new one and I was scared to buy a second - handed one cause I was skeered I'd get one that some feller had jimmed up some way I didn't know nuthin about. I'd bout decided I'd haf to walk a long time when along a feller come that tells me about Mr. Ford's new garanteed used car plan.

You see—it's like this: Mr. Ford knew that lots of peeple were jist like me and wanted cars — and they'd buy cars if they could get a car that'd stand up. So, he had his dealers put all their second-handed cars in good shape before sellin' 'em and then they stand behind 'em for thirty days, so as if anything go wrong with the insides in that time they get it all fixed up free of charge fer nuthin' providin' the feller that bought the car didn't break it up his ownself. Course I'm not a-goin to break it up my own-self but I wuz jist skeered it'd be broke up before I got it.

Natchelly I'll buy th' car from Decatur Motor Cump'ny because they are Mr. Ford's dealers, and Mr. Ford hasn't got nuthin to do with no autos that anybody sells cept his dealers.

Beleeve me I take off my hat to Mr. Ford cause I don't know when ever I'd a-got me a car if it hadn't of been for him. By th' way I've already looked over these cars at Decatur Motor Company an' picked mine out. They sure got some good ones over there an' I like to uv never picked mine out they had so many that I wanted.

You oughta go an see what good ones they've got and let 'em explain this new plan. Oily vor,

The Grease Monkey

Mrs. A. A. Van Meter.

Mrs. A. A. Van Meter passed away Friday afternoon, May 29th, at her home in Rhome. Her going was quite a surprise to her many friends and loved ones. She had been confined to her room for several weeks, but was not considered seriously ill.

Mrs. Van Meter was a very lovable woman, a true christian and always ready to lend a helping hand to the needy or distressed. Words fail us when we try to tell of the great life she has lived.

Having been converted at the age of fourteen years, she began early in life to render service to her God and church. She joined the Methodist church immediately after her conversion and was a faithful member until her death. The Methodist church at Rhome will miss her. She was always present in her class at Sunday school and a great worker in the missionary society. While we will miss her, yet she leaves us her good life as an example for others to follow; not only will her own church and people miss her, but every church will feel the loss of this good woman, who has proven by her love and kind deeds that she was a friend to all.

She leaves to mourn her departure six children, her husband having preceded her to the better world ten years past. The children are A. B. Van Meter of Decatur, Mrs. Marie E. Gill of El Paso, Mrs. Jennie Bowlin of Canyon, Earl Van Meter and Miss Ruth Van Meter of Rhome.

The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. J. R. Jordan, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Fairview cemetery beneath a mound of beautiful flowers.

The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord. So be comforted, dear children, for inasmuch as the Father in heaven sacrificed his only Son on the cross of calvary that we might live, so must we sacrifice according to His will, for there is no love greater than his. And tho she is gone and you can not call her back, be of good cheer and you shall go to her. We imagine from that beautiful white throne in heaven we can see her beaconing and hear her dear voice saying: "Come, my dear children, friends and loved ones, and meet me in this beautiful home, where there will be no more sad partings, no more sad farewells—where we can live together with Jesus and all the redeemed."—A Friend at Rhome.

Now is the time to file your application for a loan with the Federal Land Bank. Easy terms; five to thirty-five years; dependable service; 5½ per cent interest. For further information apply to W. P. Thurmond, secretary-treasurer.

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[illegible] wonderful [illegible] and $1.20. [illegible] Sold by

EAGLE DRUG HOUSE Decatur

New Staff Eleceted for Newspaper for College

The Chieftain staff has been partly filled for the work next year. The ones who have been elected are: Burroughs Waltrip, editor-in-chief, Floyd Daves, business manager; Charlie Mae Anderson, religious editor; Ruby Anglin, news editor; Addie Scales Cyrus, joke editor; Thurman Rohr, exchange editor. The vacancies left by graduates have not been filled as yet, but with this staff of earnest, hard-working boys and girls, we are already guaranteed a good paper for next year.

The Chieftain was just organized this year and the following are the members of the staff who had a great part in making it a success: Burroughs Waltrip, editor-in-chief; R. O. Burt, business manager; George James, circulation manager; Bentley Glass, religious editor; Ruby Anglin, news editor; Grace Joe Welch, society editor; Sam Kelley, sports editor; Addie Scales Cyrus, joke editor; and Thurman Rohr, exchange editor. On the leaving of Bentley Glass and R. O. Burt, Charlie Mae Anderson was made religious editor and Lloyd Green business manager. They have indeed been on the job and made things go right on.

There has been a great responsibility on both Waltrip and Green, the former for getting the material composed and ready for printing, and the latter for putting it over financially.

The entire staff is worthy of our hearty congratulations, so "Let's all get in close and give nine rahs for Chieftain staff!"—D. B. C. Chieftain.

The Elder—"Can you support my daughter in the style to which she has been accustomed?"

The Young man—"No-o, sir."

The Elder—"Then take her. I was afraid you thought you could."

Notice by Publication.

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year in your county, at least once a week for ten days previous to the return day hereof, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas. To all persons interested in the estate of M. Gregg, deceased, Wallace Gregg has filed an application in the county court of Wise county on the 29th day of May, 1925, for probate of the will of M. Gregg, deceased, and for issuance of letters testamentary, which said application will be heard by said court on the [illegible] day of [illegible], 1925, at the court house of said county, in Decatur, Texas, at which time all persons who are interested in said estate are required to appear and contest the said application, should they so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at Decatur, Texas, this 29th day of May, 1925. MRS. RUTH BELEW, Clerk of County Court, Wise County, Texas. By G. S. Blewett, deputy clerk. (June 5-12)

Colored Folks to Stage Big Celebration June 19

The local colored population are making preparations to put on a celebration here Friday, June 19th. A barbecue will be given and some prominent speakers have promised to come.

A baseball game between the Decatur Black Diamonds and a team from Fort Worth will be one of the big features of the affair.

The white folks friends of the colored celebrators will be looked after and provided with plenty to eat and entertainment.

Bathing Beach opens Wednesday.

S. M. Rose & Son

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Acme Insect Killer, guaranteed to rid poultry of blue bugs, lice, mites, fleas, etc.

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---Trade at these business houses and call for the tickets with every one dollar purchase you make.

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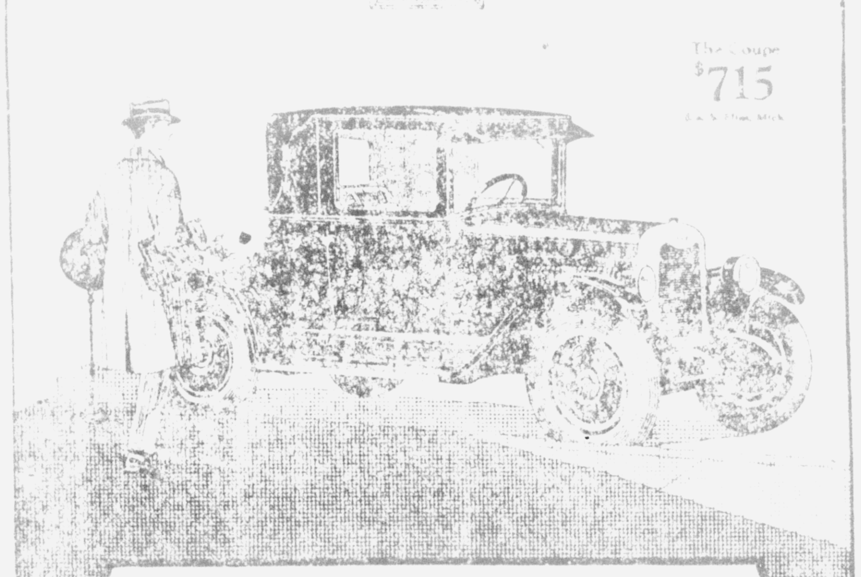

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15 Special Styles

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In Ladies' fine shoes consisting of tans, patent leathers and satins, with Spanish and low heels. Each number listed here represents a big special bargain.

5734 Black satin with suede cut-out and front strap and McKay soles 14-8 Spanish covered heels.

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5552—Black kid cut-out quarter strap with 12-8 military heels.

9573—Nutmeg calf, front tie, perforated toe, welt soles, 9-8 rubber top heels.

5992-5989—Two special numbers in black satin, McKay soles, strap styles, 9-8 covered heels.

5715—Fine patent leather two-strap sandal with 14-8 Spanish covered heels.

Each and every number listed above is made with solid leather inside and outside soles, counter pieces and inside caps which make them durable.

HIGH SCHOOL REACHES HIGH POINT STANDARD

Closing of the term of the Decatur high school, celebrated in formal exercises last Thursday night, provides the occasion for considerable speculation on the outstandinng phases of advancement which the school system has recorded during the last couple of years.

In the first place, the school has reached the highest degree of affiliation with the state system hitherto attained. A school plant has been built admirable for most every requirement needed up to this time. A system of regulation and control has been developed that is said to be the admiration of everyone who is versed in what the managerial end of a school ought to be to gain the maximum of results.

Equally pronounced is the extent to which the school has made its way into the public consciousness as a resource for adding to the town population from that fund of high class citizenship that seeks out a town for its school facilities.

It is now demonstrably true that Decatur high is the best in the county and ranks along well with what have been regarded as some of the strong systems in this part of the state. In his excellent discussion before the large attendance at the exercises last Friday night, Superintendent L. B. Gill very forcibly presented these facts but made it plain that a still greater goal is in view. He opened the way for Decatur to grow by making her school system grow and impressed conclusively that a live public opinion re-acting from the advantages provided by a superior public school system holds in its power the key of opportunity for redoubling the population and building a community of the highest rank.

NEW SUMMIT CALLED BEST EVER PUBLISHED

The 1925 volume of the "Summit" has been delivered to the students and others who are interested in D. B. C. All are agreed that it is the best book which has ever been published by the student body.

The successes and errors of the last numbers of the annual were utilized by the editorial staff to even greater success.

An entire new building section was made for the 1925 annual. All the faculty had new pictures made.

The photographic work of the "Summit" was very good to be done by a local photographer. The printing was well done by the Bunker Book Company of Fort Worth, and the engraving was done by the Southwestern of Fort Worth.

The book is distinctively bound and one naturally expects to find great things inside such a cover, and no one has been disappointed.

The business men of our city and other places gave their support to the publication by advertising in it.

The book is highly appreciated even now by the entire student body, and especially the seniors, many of whom are responsible for its worthiness of D. B. C.

There have been many good books in the past among the former volumes of the Summit, but of course we of '25 think our annual the best yet, and doubtless others will agree.

The "Summit" staff has been elected for 1926 and has begun preparations for an even greater "Summit" than that of '25.—D. B. C. Chieftain

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Judge a girl not by the way she takes a kiss, but by the way she returns it.

"Why does a cat whine?"

"If you had as many violin strings in you as a cat has, you'd whine too."

VOTERS WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO SECURE BIG SYSTEM OF ROADS

The tax-payers of Wise county will, on Saturday, June 27th, have opportunity to register Wise county in the lists of the progressixe and forward-looking counties of the state—an opportunity of giving sanction to a public road program that will mean much to the agricultural interests of the county. The required number of petitioners over the county have asked the commissioners' court to order an election on the question of issuing a million dollars in county bonds for the construction of a good and durable system of roads in the county.

The petition and the accompanying court order designates specifically the roads that are contemplated by the plan of the county central committee to be constructed, and also on a basis of the amount of taxable values concerned would appropriate to each of the four commissioners' precincts the definite division of the amount of the proposed bond issue to which each district is entitled.

That is the fair and the equitable aim toward which the committee had very consistently striven, and that is also the culmination of its purpose, which has been finally embodied and passed on to the people by the court in its official selection order of the election.

The suggestion to redeem Wise county agriculture and industry from the crippling handicaps of bad roads began at least a decade ago, since which time opinion has been slowly crystalizing favorable to the effort. Progressive and intelligent citizens have noted the change that is taking place rapidly in the farm routine; that intensive and special lines of farming are coming to compete with the former almost solitary industry of cotton raising; that these new industries, composed as they are of the production of farm output of a perishable and semi-perishable nature that must forthwith be hurried to market, stand in need of the essential smooth thorofares negotiable in every season of the year, are energetic enough in their thinking and aggressive enough in action to dare to give to Wise county what she needs to make the country more habitable and easier to make a living in.

The automobile also and the requirements of expanding social life have created a widespread desire for better roads. Education has advanced even in the face of hazards of a bad road system and has inspired the people with the apparent determination to rid the county of the physical difficulties standing in the way of the enjoyment of a broader and fuller social experience, none the least of which is bad roads.

During the past few years Decatur as the county seat has been petitioned to take the part of leadership in a campaign to build an enduring system of roads thru an issuance of county bonds for that purpose. Leading and influential citizens coming from far parts of the county have made this petition to Decatur and numerous delegations coming from different parts of the county have implored that something be done.

At last, thru the instrumentality of the roads committee of the Decatur chamber of commerce, of which W. A. Helm, a leading business man of Wise county, was chairman, a call was sent forth for a county mass meeting, and on January 25th, 1924, a representative assembly of men from over the county met in Decatur and by resolution endorsed the proposal of a bond issue to build roads in Wise county. The following item was taken from the minutes of this meeting:

"It was moved by Dr. P. C. Funk of Bridgeport, and seconded by R. L. Morris of Chico, in substance that the chair appoint two men from each of the commissioner's precincts to form a central county committee to arrange a specific and detailed plan of procedure; such plan to recognize the road needs of each particular precinct and the apportionment each of equal benefits to be derived from the sum total of the suggested amount of bond issue; and to present such plan at a subsequent meeting of the committee." The motion prevailed and the following were selected as a county committee: S. A. Lillard and W. A. Helm, Decatur, Precinct No. 1; J. B. Thomas and A. Y. Leslie, Alvord, Precinct No. 2; W. A. Green, Paradise, and Archie Van Meter, Rhome Precinct No. 3; R. L. Morris, Chico, and Dr. P. C. Funk, Bridgeport, Precinct No. 4.

Keeping constantly uppermost the endeavor to fairly apportion the proposed bond issue and to plan a road system possible of being built within the limit of the amount proposed and to make the fairest possible distribution of roads to all major parts, the committee worked at its tasks thru many all-day sessions during 1924 and resumed them in 1925, when a unanimous plan was agreed upon and it was resolved to submit the issue. It may be said that this agreemnt was reached some months ago, but further prosecution of the effort had stopped for the reason of the difficulty encountered in the Bridgeport district of getting the district-created roads finally located. This matter has been finally settled and the way was cleared for the action of the court in granting the election and settling the date of June 27th, as mentioned.

The plan upon which the people will come to vote is no one man's plan, but represents more than a year's work of a hard-working, fair and considerate committee which worked slowly forward under the greatest difficulties until the best and fairest possible solution of the situation was arrived at. It offers good roads to every major portion of Wise county, and when these are built and some are taken over by the state for maintenance at the state's expense, the ordinary road and bridge fund of the county is left free to work out a system of laterals that will bring a network of improved roads to serve the needs of all the communities.

The old gentleman was a trifle bewildered at the elaborate wedding.

"Are you the groom?" he asked, approaching a melancholy looking young man.

"No, sir," the young man replied, "I was eliminated in the final preliminaries."

Summer school was opened Wednesday morning at Decatur College, and prospects are good for a good attendance this session. Both the dormitories will be operated for the summer school term.

Baptist W. M. U. Gives Social for Mrs. Freeman

The ladies of the Baptist W. M. U. on Tuesday evening gave a farewell party to Mrs. Fred Freeman at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patterson in East Decatur. Mrs. Freeman this week moved to Denton.

Punch was served to about forty guests, and a merry time was had by the ladies. As a remembrance of her loyalty to the local W. M. U. the ladies presented Mrs. Freeman with a pretty electric floor lamp.

A man who regrets a love affair is a fool. A woman who regrets a love affair was a fool.

Shults—"What would you do if I kissed you?"

Cile—"Boy, I was just wondering what I would do if you don't."

Bathing Beach openes Wednesday!

Messenger is hearing numerous compliments on the work Commissioner Henry Walker and his road crew are doing on the Decatur-Chico road. The big tractor and grader which Commissioner Walker purchased several weeks ago are proving their worth in road construction, and the road into the Bethel and Sandy Creek communities will be the best the farmers in those sections have ever had.

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STAR PARASITE REMEDY protects chickens from insects, improves their health, prevents disease and increases egg production, or money back.—INGRAM DRUG CO. (8tf)

SWEET POTATO plants now ready; Porto Rica yams, $3 per 1000 postpaid; Wise county grown.—J. C. HENRY, Chico, Texas. (25)

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The BULL'S EYE

Editor and General Manager WILL ROGERS

Another "Bull" Durham advertisement by Will Rogers, Ziegfeld Follies and screen star, and leading American humorist. More coming. Watch for them.

What Good Does It Do You to Know Something?

Advertisements in all Papers and Magazines are all trying to appeal to the intelligent. Now this one is for the great majority. Reliable authority, in fact it was the Draft Boards during the War, figured out that the intelligence of the average Adult of this Country was that of a 13 year old Child. (Now that is giving us the best of it because a 13 year old Child is about the smartest thing we have in this Country), but the 13 year old Child they referred to was one who had been raised on the milk of human Kindness (which is mostly Water) and weaned on a Hard Boiled Egg. You know the smarter the Man the more dissatisfied he is, so cheer up, let us be happy in our ignorance. What do we care how little we know if we get what we want? "Bull" Durham needs no Literacy Test, it is with minority in quality, and with the majority in usage.

Will Rogers

P. S. This last sentence is all that saved the add.

P. P. S. There will be another piece here two weeks from now. Look for it.

SIXTY-FIVE YEARS AGO!

In 1860 a blend of tobacco was born—"Bull" Durham. On quality alone it has won recognition wherever tobacco is known. It still offers the public this—more flavor, more enjoyment and a lot more money left at the end of a week's smoking.

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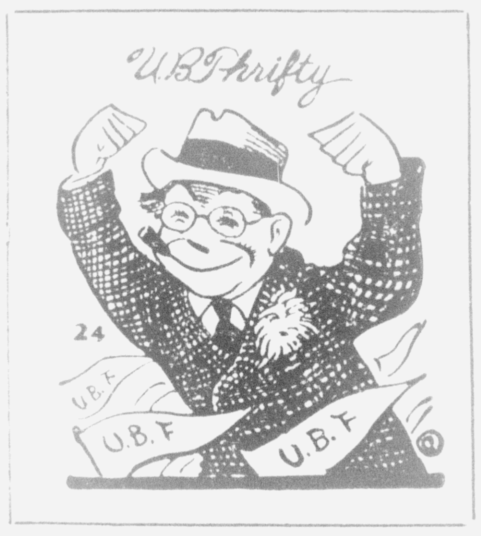

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Let the City National Bank supply your needs for the entire trip.

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Decatur, Texas.

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SPECIAL SALE!

SATURDAY AND MONDAY

of ladies' and growing girl's one and two-strap PUMPS. Good styles and a good run of sizes. Placed in two lots and are to be closed out at---

LOT NO. 1—
150 pair—in sizes from 2½ to 7. Choice for only—
$1.59

LOT NO. 2—
100 pair in sizes 2½ to 7. Values to $5.00; sale price only—
$1.95

Rieger Brothers

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that one week from the publication hereof, Mrs. Allie Sanders, temporary guardian of the estate of Alzibee McDaniel, Beatrice McDaniel and Ophelia McDaniel, minors will apply to the county judge of Wise County, Texas, for authority to execute a mineral lease upon the lands of her said wards, to-wit: An undivided interest in and to 240 acres of land out of the Levi Howard survey in Wise County, Texas. This June 5th, 1925. (June 5)

GREENWOOD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fletcher and family of Dallas, spent the week-end with Charlie Wallace and family here.

Misses Cassie and Jasmine Rudd of Denton, spent their vacation here with friends.

Greenwood school closed last Friday after a successful year of work. We were sorry to give up Miss Barnett, who goes to Cottondale school for next year as principal. The faculty here for next year will be W. F. Haggard as principal and Misses Lucille Pickett and Eloise Mauldin as assistants, with one vacancy yet to be filled.

Arch and Steve Arnold of Denton, were business visitors here Monday evening.

Lep Hurley and family of Era, were here to attend the school exercises last Friday.

Graduates of Greenwood high school who received diplomas last week were Christine Best, Bernie Higgins, Winnie Settle, Charlie Maxwell, Francis Settle, Nellie Murdock and Roy Glover. And those receiving certificates from the grammar school were Millard Woods, Mary Emma Dodge, Opal Wallace, Orlena Montgomery, Beth Stem, Ruth Still, Wilma Kingsley, George Wilson.

A community singing was enjoyed at the home of Charley Bond Sunday afternoon.

Aubrey Davis of Decatur College, spent the week end at home here.

Miss Inez Florida of Fort Worth, is visiting her parents here.

W. F. Haggard left last Sunday for Denton, where he enters N. T. S. T. C.

Miss Opal Wallace is visiting friends and relatives in Dallas.

Mrs. P. A. Sharp left Monday for a week's stay in Dr. Rogers' Sanitarium in Decatur.

Miss Eunice Yarbrough of Dallas, visited Miss Opal Wallace the past week-end.

Miss Lucille Pickett returned to her home Friday evening, where she will visit her parents before entering the Teachers' College at Denton.

LAKE VALLEY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Harris spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Lowe.

Will Miller of near Lawton, Oklahoma, is visiting his brother, J. W. Miller.

Several from here attend the graveyard working at Pleasant Hill last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Morris of Charlie, Texas, spent Saturday and Saturday night with her parents and other relatives. They attended the grave yard working Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Brian of Lubbock county, visited his uncle, C. A. Brian, Saturday and Sunday, starting to Decatur and other places of interest Monday. While here he preached two good sermons on Sunday and Sunday night. We surely did enjoy their being with us, and hope they will come again sometime soon.

Virginia Pennington spent Sunday with [illegible] Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Zelda Ha[illegible] spent last Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dyer.

[illegible] Rodlis took dinner with Melissa and [illegible] Rice Sunday.

A real good singing was enjoyed at this place Sunday afternoon. The Prospect and Smyrna classes were with us, besides several from Sunset, Denver and Union Hill.

Misses Flavia Magnes and Elvera Harper of Wichita Falls, are visiting their parents here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Small and children and Mrs. W. T. Beavers of Grandfield, Oklahoma, came Sunday to visit their uncle, R. T. Beavers. They returned home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chestal Reed and family visited her sister at Sunset last Sunday. Mr. Reed's sister, Mrs. Albert Swaim, is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Edwards took dinner with her parents Sunday.

Shiloh M. E. Church.

A [illegible] at the Shiloh [illegible] the [illegible] for the first Sunday [illegible] Sunday school at [illegible]. The sermon will be on [illegible] "What Was the Matter with the Church at Ephesus?" Read the second chapter of Revelations. Good [illegible] fellowship. Bring a friend [illegible] worship with us. [illegible]

[illegible] great [illegible] from [illegible] the depths [illegible] in infamy and perish [illegible] he is born great. Life may [illegible] but the source of life is constant.—Calvin Coolidge.

SICKLY, PEEVISH CHILDREN

Children suffering from intestinal worms are cross, restless and unhealthy. There are other symptoms, however. If the child is pale, has dark rings under the eyes, bad breath and takes no interest in play, it is almost a certainty that worms are eating away its vitality. The surest remedy for worms is White's Cream Vermifuge. It is positive destruction to the worms but harmless to the child. Price 35c. Sold by
EAGLE DRUG HOUSE Decatur

SCOTT'S EMULSION
of vitamin-rich cod-liver oil is especially helpful to an under-weight child.
GIVE SCOTT'S REGULARLY

SALT CREEK NEWS

Everybody is busy in the fields in a war against weeds and grass.

John Montgomery and family were visiting in Agnes Sunday.

Miss May Pearce spent the week-end at Bridgeport.

Ben Albritton and family of Bridgeport, spent Monday night with homefolks, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Albritton.

Several young people from here attended the play at Poolville on last Thursday night.

Miss Grace Woodruff returned home from Mineral Wells Sunday, where she has been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Tramlee from Weatherford, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sisk Sunday.

John Wright and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Culwell of Cottondale Sunday.

John Montgomery and family and Miss Estelle Albritton attended the ice cream supper at Boonsville last Friday night.

SHILOH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swaim and children of Alvord, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hutt Lee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stockton of Brundow, visited Luther Stockton last Sunday.

Mrs. R. L. Caver and Mrs. John Price of Sand Hill, were guests of Mrs. Ed Cates on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Buster of Waxahachie, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Buchanan last week.

Clayton Strond and wife of Dallas, spent the week end with homefolks.

Mrs. John Pinkerton of Brundow, spent last Friday with Mrs. Luther Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. Rich entertained with an ice cream supper last Friday night. All report a nice time.

The singing convention of Decatur district met at this place last Sunday afternoon with one of the most successful meetings had by that convention. There were many fine singers from different parts of the county present.

Mrs. Posy Lee and Miss Ruby Lee called on Mrs. Ben Brown last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Maud Hogg is visiting this week in Denton.

W. C. T. U. Notes.

To the Officers of Wise County: We are taking this means of thanking you for your valuable assistance in the enforcement of our prohibition laws, and we want you to know we appreciate the good service you are rendering your county and your state and making glad the hearts of anxious mothers. You certainly deserve the commendation of every citizen for your service and the courage you are displaying in trying to secure the enforcement of laws.

We, as a Woman's Christian Temperance Union have for our purpose the building and unification of sentiment for the support of the public officials in enforcing the law.

Abraham Lincoln was right when he said: "Without public sentiment nothing can succeed, and with it nothing can fail." And we believe that the time has come when forces that make for righteousness must band themselves together in a great and well sustained campaign of sentiment for the observance and enforcement of our laws; thereby making it possible for statutes and decisions to be executed right here in Decatur. We want you to know how we appreciate your work that you may be encouraged to go on even to greater success.

Therefore, we will just keep on being thankful for the victories already achieved and feel confident that more will follow. Yours for the strict enforcement of the prohibition laws in Wise county. W. C. T. U. Reporter.

Cramped and Suffered

"My back and head would ache, and I had to go to bed," says Mrs. W. L. Ennis, of Worthville, Ky. "I just could not stay up, for I would cramp and suffer so. I was very nervous. My children would 'get on my nerves.' It wasn't a pleasure for me to try to go anywhere, I felt so bad.

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BRIDGEPORT NEWS

Miss Florine Martin of Breckenridge is visiting Miss Bonnie McAfee.

Mmes. J. W. Curley and Tennis Beville have been visiting relatives and friends at Memphis and Clarendon for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. McAfee left last Sunday for Cisco and Eastland, to visit their sons, Carlton and Gary and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Mask were called to Eldorado, Oklahoma, Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips' ten-months-old baby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Simpson and children, Zollie, Paul, Olivia and Warren, left Monday in their auto for Los Angeles, California, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. Jack Norwood. They expect to be gone a month, and will return by the way of Yellowstone Park.

Mrs. M. E. Cunningham, assisted by Miss Iva Clay, entertained on last Thursday evening in honor of Miss Dorothy, the charming daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Hand of Iowa Park. A dainty salad course was served to Misses Florine Martin of Breckenridge, Bonnie McAfee, Nellie Akens, Lorena Johnson, Ione Thompson, Iva Clay, Dorothy Hand, Olivia Simpson and Bernice Bingham; Mrs. W. M. Simpson; Messrs. Embry Hines, Robert Leonard, Gordon Phillips and Zollie Simpson; and the hostess.

The new Baptist church is soon to be a reality. The old church has been torn down, the debris cleared away and excavation for the foundation is being made. We understand that the building is to cost twelve thousand dollars, and will be constructed of Bridgeport brick. It is to be modern in every respect, and no public improvement could mean more to Bridgeport than the building of this church which bespeaks for this organization's liberality and progressiveness.

Baptist Church.

Pastor R. E. Bell will preach next next Sunday morning on "Growing in a Soul." Many people act as if they had forgotten that they have souls. Sunday with them is but an occasion for a social debauch, or the gratification of physical appetites and impulses. What are you doing for your soul?

The recent Southern Baptist Convention held in Memphis, Tennessee, adopted a new confession of faith. This confession contains a statement of the attitude of Baptists toward creeds, an article on the creation of man and an article on the relation of science to religion. The latter two articles define the position of Baptists on the question of evolution. The pastor will read this new confession of faith at the service next Sunday night, with such comments as may seem needful to clarify it. All Baptists ought to know what they believe and many others are interested in knowing.

The evening service will begin at eight o'clock and a warm welcome is extended to all who attend any of our services. R. E. Bell, Pastor.

Notice to Public.

Notice is hereby given that I will not be responsible for any debts or obligations contracted or made by my wife, Mrs. J. L. Stone.—J. L. Stone, Decatur, Texas. (24)

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BOYD NEWS

Tommie Hamilton of Dallas, spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Orville Thompson and Miss Irene Reynolds were married Monday afternoon at Fort Worth.

Miss Thelma Trussell left Friday for an educational tour in Europe. She will visit some of her French relatives while in that country. She will return to her home here the latter part of August.

Mrs. Julian D. Stepp returned to her home in Fort Worth Monday. She was a music teacher in the Boyd school the past year.

Mrs. J. M. Jarvis has been very ill for the past few days and is no better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore and family of Decatur, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Campbell and children and Olan Ne Smith of Fort Worth, visited Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Arrington last Sunday.

M. Gooch and son have sold their interest in the Lewis & Gooch firm to M. D. Lewis. Mr. Gooch leaves next week for a business trip in Western Texas.

Ed Ward of Fort Worth, is visiting for several days with Frank Ward and family.

Carl Swoffard has moved his tailor shop to Rhome, and he states he will do tailoring for both Rhome and Boyd.

Boyd entertained a large crowd last Sunday with a wonderful singing.

Mrs. E. R. Cock and daughter, Miss Annie Lois, returned last week from Hillsboro, where Miss Annie Lois has been in school the past term.

(Note.—Please hand in all news items at the post office by Tuesday.)

The abatements of waste, the promotion of prosperity, the foreboding of class conflicts, the assurance of "a fair field and no favor" to every honest and industrious citizen in all useful occupations—these, too, are urgent domestic needs to which a wise and just government must be responsive.—North American Review.

What Causes Kidney Trouble?

It is a well known fact that most kidney sufferers are also constipated or at least do not eliminate properly. The food wastes stick to the sides of the colon and become hardened. Uric poison is absorbed by the blood and the kidneys are over-worked trying to get rid of it, and soon break down and become diseased.

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Lee Higgs

LONE MOUND NEWS

V. M. Claborn and family visited Hut Lee Sunday at Shiloh.

Mrs. Davenport visited her husband last Thursday at Bellevue.

W. E. Hodges and Mr. Kinyon were dinner guests at W. A. Claborn's last Sunday.

Several from this community went to Shiloh Sunday.

Ezra Claborn visited John Peyton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Peyton visited his brother, Bill Peyton, Sunday at Liberty.

Willie Claborn and Miss Rena Alyce Davenport visited Odessa Parks last Sunday.

Broe Ray and family visited her parents last Sunday.

W. E. Hodges and family visited T. N. Hodges Saturday.

There will be an all-day singing here on the second Sunday in June. Dinner will be served on the ground.

LONE STAR NEWS

Several from here went to the fifth Sunday singing at Mount Horeb last Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Adams is getting along nicely after having had her tonsils removed last Friday.

There is going to be a children's day program here at Lone Star next fourth Sunday. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wallace visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Thompson last week-end.

There will be a singing here next Sunday afternoon. Everybody come and bring someone with you.

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